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## Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

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**TO:** School Administrators

**FROM:** Gerri Ogle, Associate Commissioner

**DATE:** April 7, 2008

**SUBJECT:** Debarment Lifted - IBM

The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) has been informed that the suspension against IBM has been lifted pursuant to an agreement reached between IBM and the Environmental Protection Agency Debarring Official. IBM is no longer on the Excluded Parties List System (EPLS) maintained by the General Services Administration.

Prior to entering into new contracts, renewing contracts or extending contracts which will be paid with federal funds it is important to check the EPLS to insure the vendor has not been excluded from participating in federal contracts. The EPLS website is <http://epls.gov>.

Please contact School Finance at 573-751-0357 if you have questions on this issue.